

COUNTRY East Germany SECURITY INFORMATION  
 TOPIC Dresden-Klotzsche Airfield REPORT NO.

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 EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED   
 DATE OF CONTENT 1 June to 15 August 1953  
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 REMARKS \_\_\_\_\_

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- 25X1A 1. Between 1 June and 26 July 1953,  up to eight single-engine aircraft in front of the eastern hangars of Dresden-Klotzsche airfield and up to 10 railroad cars on the spur track in the northeastern portion of the field. 25X1
- 25X1A 2. The landing field was only lightly guarded. Only three sentry stations occupied by soldiers, who wore red-bordered black epaulets, were observed. The landing field appeared to be neglected. No airfield boundaries were noticed and lighting facilities were not available. The windows in the hangars were broken and timber was piled up in the warehouse.
3. From 8 p.m. to mid-night on 17 July, three Po-2 biplanes circled over the field. At dusk, about 15 men were seen at the take-off point. Lights noticed included a green landing T, a series of white lamps, red lamps marking the boundaries of the landing strip, and red obstacle lights in the vicinity of the field. On the morning of 21 and 24 July, three Po-2s circled the field. The flights were probably training flights made by air force officers stationed at the installation. Day and night flying by Po-2s were also observed on 28 and 31 July, and on 4, 6, 7 and 11 August.<sup>1</sup>
4. In late July, the installation was apparently only lightly occupied. An estimated 100 air force personnel and 12 officers were billeted in the Lufthansa Building and 8 officers in houses on Karl Marx Strasse. The former Luftkriegsschule, quartered 200 air force personnel, 100 officers including 75 who wore badges of the technical services, 200 men who wore black-bordered red epaulets, 50 officers and a detail of 50 soldiers who wore black-bordered red epaulets and were assigned to the dog kennel. Source made a sketch of the insignia worn by technical officers.<sup>2</sup>
- 25X1C 5. On 10 July, the driving school at the installation was last observed in operation. It appeared that a course at the school had been completed. On 20 July, a new course had apparently been started at the driving school. Soldiers, who wore black-bordered red epaulets and were stationed at the Luftkriegsschule, were being trained. Motor vehicles used by the driving school prior to 15 August included trucks  and jeep  25X1C
- 25X1C Trucks  On 27 July, driving courses for air force soldiers were resumed.  25X1C
- 25X1C  were used. The trainees were recruits, had short cropped hair and wore

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black-bordered blue epaulets with motor transport insignia.

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During the same period, vehicle [redacted] were identified near the Lufthansa Building.

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6. On 17 July, 120 air force M4 and 3 officers lined up before the Lufthansa Building at Dresden-Klotzsche airfield. The soldiers marched to the eastern portion of the field. On the morning of 24 July, a Po-2 practiced flying over the field. On 25 July, eight single-engine low-wing monoplanes were observed crossing over the field. The aircraft might have been parked there for some time. [redacted] Eight boxcars were observed on the spur track at the installation. During the morning and evening of 27, 28, 30 and 31 July, there was flying by Po-2s. On the evening of 30 July, a Yak-11 landed at the installation. On 31 July, the eight single-engine low-wing monoplanes were no longer parked in front of the hangars at the northeastern portion of the field. Inasmuch as no take-offs had been observed, source believed that the aircraft were parked in the hangars. [redacted]

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- 25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. Dresden-Klotzsche airfield is occupied by a driving school of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army and a Soviet air force unit which conducts training with Po-2 aircraft. The eight single-engine low-wing monoplanes which had been observed at the field between 25 and 31 July could not be identified. [redacted]

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- 25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. For sketch of the insignia worn by technical officers, see annex.

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Insignia Worn by Technical Officers as  
Seen in Dresden-Klotzsche Airfield



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